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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-86. (CANCELED)

87. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An azithromycin mixture comprising substantially pure azithromycin monohydrate hemi-ethanol solvate characterized as having a plurality of ¹³C solid state NMR peaks with at least two peaks at approximately 179.5±0.2 ppm and 178.6±0.2 ppm and optionally less than 10% by weight of azithromycin dihydrate characterized as having at least three ¹³C solid state NMR peaks at approximately 13.2ppm, 11.3ppm and 7.2 ppm; wherein said substantially pure azithromycin monohydrate hemi-ethanol solvate contains less than 10% of alternative polymorphic or isomorphic crystalline forms of azithromycin by weight

88 - 125. (CANCELED)

- 126. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 87, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 58.0 ppm.
- 127. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 126, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 17.2 ppm.
- 128. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 127, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 10.1 ppm.
- 129. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 128, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 9.8 ppm.
- 130. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 129, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 9.3 ppm.

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- 131. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 130, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 7.9 ppm.
- 132. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The azithromycin mixture of claim 131, wherein said ¹³C solid state NMR spectrum further comprises a peak with chemical shift of about 6.6 ppm.
- 133. (NEW) The azithromycin mixture of claim 87 wherein said substantially pure azithromycin monohydrate hemi-ethanol solvate contains less than 5% of alternative polymorphic or isomorphic crystalline forms of azithromycin by weight.
- 134. (NEW) The azithromycin mixture of claim 87 wherein said substantially pure azithromycin monohydrate hemi-ethanol solvate contains less than 1% of alternative polymorphic or isomorphic crystalline forms of azithromycin by weight.
- 135. (NEW) The azithromycin mixture of claim 87 wherein said azithromycin mixture optionally contains less than 5% of azithromycin dihydrate by weight.
- 136. (NEW) The azithromycin mixture of claim 87 wherein said azithromycin mixture optionally contains less than 1% of azithromycin dihydrate by weight.